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E.O. 11652: NA

SUBJECT: MEMPHIS SLIM

- 1. MEMPHIS SLIM'S THREE PERFORMANCES IN GHANA WERE SOMEWHAT LESS SPECTACULARLY SUCCESSFUL THAN AT OTHER STOPS ON HIS TOUR. AUDIENCES RANGED FROM APPROXIMATELY 150 AT ARTS CENTER IN ACCRA TO 600 AT CAPE COAST UNIVERSITY AND 400 AT UNIVERSITY OF GHANA, LEGON. PIANOS AT BOTH UNIVERSITIES WERE SUB-STANDARD IN QUALITY AND CONDITION. MAKE-SHIFT PA SYSTEMS HAD TO BE ASSEMBLED AT LAST MINUTE FOR ACCRA AND LEGON CONCERTS.
- 2. DESPITE SOME GRUMBLING SLIM GAVE THREE SUPERB PERFORMANCES UNDER THESE DIFFICULT CONDITIONS. HE CREATED MANY NEW FANS FOR THE BLUES AMONG AUDIENCES WHO WERE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THIS MUSICAL FORM.
- 3. RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS REPORTED BY YAOUNDE WERE CHECKED BY AMERICAN DOCTOR HERE AND CHEST XRAY TAKEN. ALL REPORTS POSITIVE AND HEALTH APPEARS TO BE OK.

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4. CHECK FOR FEES AND BALANCE OR PER DIEM DUE HAS BEEN REQUESTED FROM RFC PARIS TO BE DELIVERED TO ARS FOR PAYMENT TO SLIM. BACHE

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